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BASKET BALL OPENS WITH FAST GAMES

Juniors and Seniors Victors in Opening Games

Sophomores Make Upper-classmen Hustle to Win in Extra Period

Before one of the largest and most enthusiastic crowds that has ever turned out to witness the interclass basketball games on the local court, the basketball season at Midd was ushered in last Wednesday night with victories by the seniors and juniors over the freshmen and sophomores respectively. Both of the games were fast and close keeping the crowd on its toes most of the time. This was especially true of the game between the sophomore and junior teams. The soph quintet playing together exceptionally well, led during most of the game, only to see the score tied during the last few seconds of play and then to have victory snatched from its grasp in an extra five minute period. The first game brought together the senior five, strenghtened by the return to college of Jenne, Tatro and Meade, and the freshmen quintet which as in previous years was the dark horse. The shooting of both teams at the start, probably due to lack of practice, was not quite up to the standard.

Close guarding marked the first half which ended with the freshmen having tallied four points to three for their opponents. Cool started the scoring in the second half by making good a free try and things began to take on rather a rosy hue for the under-classmen when suddenly the '19 team seemed to find itself and displayed some real basketball. A foul shot by Jones followed by two pretty field goals by Tatro put the seniors in the lead and from then on although the freshmen fought hard the seniors managed to tally more often and when the final whistle blew they were on the long end of a sixteen to six score. Bachulus and Peterson played well for the freshmen while Tatro and Holbrook shared the honors for the seniors.

Summary:

Seniors—16		Freshmen—6
Holbrook	R. F.	Cool
Jenne	L. F.	Peterson, Lamere
Tatro	C	Reinbrecht
Jones	R. G.	Bachulus, Peterson
Meade	L. G.	P. Ross, Geddes

Field Goals: Tatro 2, Holbrook 2, Jenne, Jones, Peterson, Bachulus.

Foul Goals: Jones, Tatro, Holbrook, Jenne, Cool, Peterson.

Referee: Miske. Scorer: Law. Timer: Hebard.

In the night cap encounter, which proved one of the most exciting games ever witnessed on the local court the juniors, last year's champs, managed to subdue the sophomores after some spirited playing. Ginsburg started the ball a-rolling by dropping in a field goal after a failure to make good a free try. Ginsburg tallied again this time with a foul goal but at this point the '21 team began to awaken, Davis tied try. Valentine put the sophs in the lead with a pretty shot from the side but "Emmie" Ross evened up matters with a goal from scrimmage. Valentine made another pretty field goal and a few seconds later Parker tallied for the juniors but Valentine again came to

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OLD TIME SPIRIT AT UNION MEETING

Plans Begun tor the Purchase of a Trophy Case

All Men Who Left for Service Reinstated in Former Offices

One of the liveliest meetings in the history of The Middlebury Union was held Tuesday evening, January 7, in Hepburn social hall. The gathering featured old time Midd "pep" and proved the old college spirit had returned.

The meeting went into full swing with president Jones presiding and "Steve" Douglas acting as secretary pro tempore.

Woodward reported for the picture committee that the nine photographs of the athletic teams had been framed. He suggested placing the pictures in the social hall instead of in the old Union Rooms at Painter Hall where it had been previously voted to hang them. This suggestion met with approval and was accepted.

MacSweeney reported that the Social Committee had a surplus of $40 which was turned over to the War Service Committee as previously voted.

It was decided by the Union to reinstate all men in the offices they held prior to leaving for service. This placed Watson at the helm, with Jones as vice-president; "Stew" Ross, secretary and Pitkin, treasurer.

The appointment of Holbrook as Kappa Delta Rho representative to the Student Council was ratified. The Delta Kappa Epsilon representative will be elected at the next meeting.

A committee was appointed to act in conjunction with the Athletic Council to consider the purchasing of a trophy case. These two bodies will place the matter before the faculty at the next faculty meeting.

Furber was elected cheer and song leader with "Hank" Thomas as assistant.

The Student Council emphasized for all freshmen the importance of purchasing Freshmen Rules and advised them to do so at once.

Kasper made an appeal for Campus tryouts and scored the "crabbers." He spoke highly of the great help rendered by the girls in publishing The Campus whlie the men's college was in the hands of the S. A. T. C. and emphasized the necessity of placing The Campus on an equal footing with the other college papers of the country.

The meeting ended with a long Middlebury yell.

TREASURER'S NOTICE

The College Treasurer will have an office at Warner Hall on February 6, 7 and 8,—Thursday, Friday and Saturday,— for the payment of the Second Semester bills.

For the former S. A. T. C. men and others, entering college January 2nd., bills will be rendered for the last half of the college year and the last third of the first half, or, a semester and a third the usual rates accordingly.

All bills are payable by February 8th.

John A. Fletcher, Treasurer.
January 11, 1918.

HELP THE ARMENIANS

WOMEN RE-ORGANIZE THEIR ATHLETICS

New Constitution Framed After One at Mt. Holyoke

Major Sports to be Represented by Varsity Teams

In common with all the other activities of the college, the Women's Athletic Association seems to be taking a new lease of life this term and under the popular and able leadership of Miss Young, the physical director of the women's college, the Association looks forward to a successful year. It has been thoroughly reorganized, and a new constitution has been framed, modeled after the one which has proved so successful at Mt. Holyoke, but modified to meet the different conditions which exist in Middlebury.

Under the new constitution the basis of membership will be much broader than formerly, and the organization more definite. The executive department will consist of the five officers of the Association, the heads of each sport, the physical director, the Dean of Women and one freshman member. The head of each sport will be assisted by the class captains. Each of these officers will have specific duties for which she must be responsible.

At least five sports will have teams during their respective seasons, viz, hockey, basket-ball, base-ball, volley-ball and tennis. Each of these sports will be represented by an all-Midd team picked from the members of the class teams. Members of all teams must be without conditions or failures and must keep strict training rules regarding sleep and diet.

A new system of points has been devised by which letters will be awarded in the future, making the winning of an "M" a much more difficult achievement than it has been heretofore.

It is hoped that the new plan will make athletics a part of the life of every college girl and not a hobby for a few. There is a tendency for the women of a co-educational institution to leave the athletics to the men, with the result that they do not get enough of the right sort of physical exercise, and miss the valuable discipline of teamwork in organized play. Middlebury has been no exception to the rule, but present interest in the subject seems to point to a speedy reform along this line.

R. O. T. C. AT MIDDLEBURY

The Government has decided to establish a Reserve Officers Training Corps in Middlebury College. This decision was reached after the college authorities had petitioned the War Department.

Capt. C. E. Ferguson, who has been detailed as professor of Military Science and Tactics addressed the men in Chapel yesterday morning emphazing the necessity of military training for all college men.

Just how much time will be devoted to training and lecture work has not been decided. It is expected, however, that during the winter while the weather conditions do not permit training, most of the time will be devoted to lectures and allied subjects.

The new commandant comes to Middlebury from St. Lawrence University where he was in charge of the S. A. T. C..

ARMENIA'S PLIGHT TOLD BY MIDD GRAD

Isabel Blake '05 with Red Cross in Armenia

Tells of Great Need of Refugees in Destitute Country

In view of the drive now in progress the following letter from Isabel Blake is of unusual interest to us. Miss Blake makes plain to us the need of our assistance in giving relief to the Armenian and Syrian refugees and causes us to feel a personal interest in it. Although she does not make a direct appeal, she arouses, by her own interest in the situation, our sympathy. Her work with these refugees, commendable as it is, can not go on without support and once again our assistance is asked in a worthy cause.

Armenian Refugee Camp,
Port Said, Egypt.
Nov. 10, 1918.

Dear Miss Bruffee,

"It is fine to hear from old Midd and to realize her loyal spirit.

"The rain came down in torrents today—the second rain of the season. I am comfortably housed, but it is hard on the poor refugees in their tents, especially some whose tents are very old. The rain quickly packs down the sand, and collects like a lake, so that some tents are completely surrounded, and I could see the inmates bailing the water out with dust pans. Luckily, it never rains long in Egypt.

"We have over 5000 refugees now, in our tented town, and it is my duty to keep them clothed. Some who have work in our industries, buy cloth in a little shop which I run for the purpose of supplying them with good stuff at lowest possible rates. But we cannot supply work to nearly all and I have to prepare and distribute to those who have no means of support, especially to the 3000 new ones who arrived this summer; after having wandered homeless for two years, robbed by Turks and then by Arabs. Some of these have had terrible experiences. Everyone says there is a very happy atmosphere about this camp and the people have shown a wonderful recuperative power. It is said that in the north, seventy thousand new refugees have been set free by the advancing English and French armies, who have almost no clothing, and will perish this winter, if they aren't supplied at once. We may have to take on some of that work, too. It's a big job and I have to plan so carefully, and yet I never know just what the demands are to be. Our funds are by no means unlimited, and I often wish we were near enough to America to avail ourselves of our share of the supplies of clothing for refugees provided by the Red Cross Auxiliaries there. Our work has its little flashes of the humorous, as when a fifteen year old boy, or even a grown man presents himself in a black Mother-Hubbard gown. You may be sure they look happy when they see trousers coming their way. Of course the making of all these clothes is one of the big industries here.

"Hoping that we may all celebrate the Peace Thanksgiving together all over the world,

Sincerely yours,
Isabel Blake,
A. R. C.

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EDITORIAL

The Varsity Letter

There is nothing that a college man is prouder to own than the privilege to wear the varsity letter whether it be for football, baseball, track or basketball. To him and to the rest of the college it signifies long hours of hard work and training, getting into shape that he may represent the college to the best of his ability on the athletic field.

The policy in all colleges has been to make the requirements for the varsity letter hard. It is the only reward the athletes get and therefore should be awarded with great care. Once a standard is set in a college it should not be lowered because it will tend to lessen the value of the letter.

Middlebury has always taken her place along side of the other colleges in keeping her requirements where they belong. This year however there seemed to be a tendency of making allowances and awarding the letter where it was not due. Of course the past season was an unusual one and many new problems had to be faced, but nevertheless we believe that the awarding of letters should have been just as strict if not stricter than in previous years. Other colleges that were taken over by the S. A. T. C. and had football teams did not award the regular varsity letter but made provision for awarding a letter known as the S. A. T. C. letter

We agree that the season was shortened considerably by the military training and the influenza epidemic with the consequence that the men did not have the opportunity to play in as many quarters as they had in normal seasons. But after provision had been made so a man was required to play in only ten quarters instead of the usual twelve, should a man be awarded a letter when he participated in only nine quarters or less?

Three men were awarded letters this year who played in less than ten quarters and consequently a precedent for future years has been created. One man played in eight quarters and was then called to an Officer's Training Camp. It was decided he might as well have a letter. Another played in nine and he was pitied and awarded a letter. The third played in just about six. The latter was a senior who had been out for the varsity four years and therefore perhaps the Athletic Council thought he surely ought to receive something and gave him a letter. A similar case occured last year and consequently there was a precedent established for this year.

We would like to see this question settled definitely and placed in the Athletic Association rules. Frankly we can not see why such a man should receive a letter nor much less why the other two who have still a year to earn their letter should have received them this year.

Perhaps somebody can supply us with good sound reasons which we would be mighty glad to receive and make them public in order to ease the minds of a number of the student body.

Ring Out Wild Bells

Ye old school days were revived in Middlebury last week when the peals of a small dinner bell announced that meals were ready in Hepburn Commons. It was really humorous to hear the echoes of a seventy-five year old bell sounding thru the corridors of one of the most modern college dormitories.

Upon investigation we found to our amazement that in the large five-storied building there were just two bells, neither of them capable of awakening a healthy student out of a sound sleep or even stirring a deep thinker from a hurried mental concentration on an assignment due the next hour. We thought it rather strange that there hadn't been some appliances installed for better service and to our surprise found that on every floor there were all the connections for electric bells but somehow or other the sound producers had failed to be supplied.

Doesn't it seem fairly reasonable that in buildings like Hepburn and Pearsons Halls there should be proper facilities for announcing the beginning of hours? One can hardly depend upon the integrity of his own wrist watch or the happy medium between his roommate's and his own.

As long as the pipes for wiring and the places for the bells are there we would like to see some real gongs installed and connected with the program clock in the Warner Science Hall. They would announce the hours for classes and meals on time and do away with all excuses for lateness.

A Great Need

The contribution received by The Campus last week suggesting the use of the money willed to Middlebury by Mrs. Russell Sage in building a new recitation hall brings to our minds the need of such a building.

For some time the desirability of erecting a new hall to be used for class rooms has been discussed with no definite results. The old chapel is used for a variety of purposes. Until recently this has been largely a necessity because of lack of room for classes to meet elsewhere, but with the present favorable financial conditions of the college it seems that these circumstances might be altered. It has been suggested that the old chapel be used principally for offices of the professors and that the classes now meeting there be moved to a new building provided for the purpose. The possibility and advisability of putting this plan into actual use has never been so strong as at present. The old chapel is the nucleus of the college—the building about which the life of the institution has naturally developed. It is therefore most fitting that it should be dignified by becoming solely the administrative center of Middlebury. Fitting it for such a purpose would alter to a lesser degree the present arrangement of its interior than would a remodeling for more classes, in case the administrative offices were moved to a new building.

The chemistry building is now used not only for chemistry but for modern languages and mathematics. There is plenty of chance for expanding the chemistry department if the room occupied by the above mentioned departments was available.

The present status of the Home Economics department also points to the need for new quarters in which more conveniences could be secured. The classes in these courses do not even meet in one building. Since the means for such a measure have been so providentially provided, it appears to be desirable to use them for that purpose since our greatest necessity now lies in that direction.

CONTRIBUTION

The matter of a "Trophy Room" brought up at the last Union meeting deserves careful attention followed by some action in regard to it. This room would contain all trophies won by Midd's victorious teams. It would not involve much expense to furnish such a room and it would be a source of pride to all loyal sons of the Blue and White It is possible that a rather small collection might be assembled for the present but does anyone dare say it would not grow? Would it not have a stimulating effect on college spirit to see it expand from year to year? The defenders of Midd's honor would fight all the harder knowing that a visible symbol of their efforts would be cherished for all time.

ALUMNI NOTES

'80. Dr. W. H. Sheldon of Middlebury died very suddenly at his home on Main street, Sunday afternoon. Dr. Sheldon was a man prominent in the civic affairs of the town and will be greatly missed. Although a doctor and surgeon of some skill he did not practise to any degree but was often called in consultation with other doctors.

Dr. Sheldon studied for a time at the Bishop Hopkins School, Baltimore, Md., after which he spent two years in Middlebury College. Following this he received the M. D. degree at Bellevue Hospital, N. Y. He was a member of the Chi Psi fraternity.

'09 Arthur W. Peach coached the Norwich University football team which won the State championship, defeating Middlebury twice, the University of Vermont, and Fort Ethan Allen. The Norwich team won from Boston University 19-0, and lost to Dartmouth 20-0, and to the crack Boston College team 6-0. Mr. Peach is an instructor at Norwich.

'11. Mr. and Mrs. Allen J. Warner, of Albany, N. Y., announced the engagement of their daughter, Agnes Allen Warner, last week to Edwin S S. Sunderland. Mr. Sunderland graduated with the class of 1911 and took the role of Cicero in the great Latin play given at Commencement of 1910. Since graduation Mr. Sunderland has been connected with the law firm of Jennings and Russell in New York. He was a private in Squadron A, Troop B, which was one of the famous cavalry organizations in New York and served for a time on the Mexican Border.

'13. C. L. Smiddy has recently been discharged from the Naval Experiment Station at New London, Conn., and has again resumed his law practice.

ex-'14. Hough, recently reported missing from the ranks at the front, has returned to his home in Hamilton N. Y., and is attending Colgate University.

'15. Lieut. "Casey" Jones, who won considerable fame as an athlete while he was in college and who has shown himself to be an equally good aviator in the late war, was a recent visitor at the college. He is at present instructor in the training school at Hazelton Field, Garden City, N. Y. "Casey" wears the Croix de Guerre which was presented to his fleet for creditable work in France.

'15. Rev. Thomas M. Ross, who until recently has been an associate pastor in the Second Congregational Church of Greenfield, Mass., has accepted the pastorate of the First Congregational Church of Hackensack, N. J.

'16. Gordon Robinson, who has been overseas with the 101st Machine Gun Battalion arrived at his home in New Britain, Conn., last Wednesday. Corporal Robinson was shell shocked during the heavy fighting around Chateau Thierry.

'17. Ruth Hall is teaching in the High School at Webster, Mass.

'17-'18. Lois Bodurtha and Elsie Monteith have government positions in Washington, D. C.

'18. Marguerite Rogers is teaching in the High School at Unionville, Conn.

'18. Ensign Bruce X. Somers, U. S. N. visited recently in Middlebury.

'18. Forrest G. Myrick, who was recently discharged from the United States Army is spending several days at the Chi Psi Lodge.

ex-'19. Anna L. K. Clark, who left Middlebury to attend Columbia University, has given up her work there owing to the death of her mother and will spend the remainder of the year at her home in Peru, N. Y.

'20. Dannekind is now serving on the submarine O-11 but is hoping to be released in time to return to college next term.

ex-'22. Elizabeth Spencer is doing office work in the Holstein Breeders Office in Brattleboro.

CAMPUS CHATTER

Albert Gollnick '22, of Milwaukee, Wis., has been pledged by the Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity.

As soon as old Jack Frost decides to give us some more snow the toboggan slide back of Pearsons will be built.

Mrs. J. M. Thomas left Friday for Camp Merritt, where she will spend a few days with President Thomas.

Ensign Frank Gredler '19, who has been stationed at Cambridge, Mass., returned to college last week.

Up to date fifty of the Midd men in the service in camps on this side of the sea have been either released or discharged.

Watson and Furber have resumed their former positions in the College Choir after receiving their discharges from the United States Army.

Professor Charles B. Wright will leave for Petersburgh, Fla., this week. His health is much improved and he hopes to return to college next term.

It has been decided by the former members of Midd's Glee Club to revive the organization. There will be a tryout for new members at an early date.

Mildred Jenkins '21 has been forced to leave college on account of the ill health of her mother. She has gone to her home in Fair Haven but expects to return next year.

An informal dance was held last Saturday evening in the gym. About 24 couples attended. Professor and Mrs. Harrington and Professor and Mrs. White were patrons and patronesses.

Due to the severity of the weather the Student Council has announced that freshmen will not be required to wear any prescribed type of "chapeau" until after the arrival of the class toques.

Herbert Congdon, traveling secretary for the executive council of the Delta Upsilon fraternity paid a visit to the local chapter over the week end.

Mr. Congdon is a graduate of Columbia University.

The Junior Week Committee will consist of the following members: Miesse, Jenne, Carpentier, Thomas, Furber, Kinne, Florence Millard, Gertrude Moore, Mildred Hubbard and Buena Anderson

The sophomore class held a class meeting Friday noon in the Hemicycle. Spencer was chosen to take the place of Parker who has not returned to college, on the Sophomore Rules Committee. Cohen was elected manager of the basket ball team.

Edward Curran ex-'19, of New Britain, Conn, is spending a few days at the college. "Ed" has just returned from overseas where he was with the Yankee Division, for more than a year. At Chateau Thierry he was put out of the fight by being gassed.

The assignment of Chapel pews for all registered in the Men's College has been completed. The following men have been named as monitors for the four classes: seniors, C. E. Hamilton; juniors, Emerson B. Ross; sophomores, Leon W. McFee; freshmen, T. P. Hanford.

Professor Tracey, who was for some time connected with several universities in Turkey and Armenia, gave a very interesting talk to the students of the Political Science 2 class last Saturday morning. In his talk the professor described the conditions in Turkey before and after the war.

At several consecutive meetings of the committee on the 1919 Kaleidoscope last week the names of a number of nominees for positions on the Board were carefully considered. It was decided that if the junior and senior classes were willing the Board should be made up from members of both classes.

Dean E. J. Wiley left Monday for Camp Devens to attend a conference of college presidents and other executives on the subject of what educational institutions can do for the returning soldiers. The conference was held yesterday and today under the auspices of the Massachusetts Board of Education and the National War Work Council.

Alpha Iota chapter of Delta Delta Delta held its annual initiation and banquet Saturday, January 11. The initiates were Margaret Billings, Katharine Burrage, Ruth McArthur, Madeline McDonald, Kathryn Rogers, Harriet Scott, Marion Tilden, and Marion Willey, all of the class of 1922. Guests of the chapter were Mrs. Harold D. Newton, '18, of Waterbury; Mildred Brownell, Mildred Kent, and Ruth Glysson, of the University of Vermont.

In spite of the extreme cold about 30 students gathered in the choir room of the Methodist Church last Sunday noon to reorganize the Sunday Noon Club. A committee of four was appointed to nominate the officers for this year and to recommend whether the Club should take up community social betterment or the consideration of the moral and ethical problems which confront every college student. Professor Sanford is the leader of the Club for this year.

All the women interested in forming a Civics Club met Wednesday evening last week to discuss plans for the year. The president, Ella Fellowes, outlined briefly the work to be covered and it was decided that meetings should be held every Tuesday from four to five o'clock. At those times a member of the faculty or some other speaker will discuss topics of the present day. It is expected that the women will heartily support the organization since it is only fitting that college women should be well posted on civic affairs of the country.

Don't Forget To Pay Your Union Dues.

FINANCING OF BASKETBALL GREAT PROBLEM

Last year Middlebury turned out her first varsity basketball team. Seven games were played all resulting in one-sided victories for the Blue and White and the end of the season found the Midd five captors of the State Championship.

Because of the unsettled conditions brought about by the war and as it was the first varsity team to represent Midd in this sport, games with colleges in this state only were scheduled. This made the season very inexpensive. In view of the shortened college year which made it impossible to have baseball and track teams, the Athletic Council voted to allow the students to attend the varsity basketball contests without charge.

The faculty voted that the college should again be represented by a varsity five and placed Coach Brown in charge. The season is limited to six home games and six out of town. A good second team schedule is also being arranged.

Due to the heavy expense of the football season, caused by cancellation of games, the Athletic Council finds that in order to give the proper support to baseball and track next spring basketball must be made practically self-supporting.

The plan devised to meet this expense is the selling of a season ticket to both men and women for a nominal price (about $1.25 or $1.75) This ticket will admit the holders to all class, second team and varsity games

Games with several of the following teams are being arranged: R. P. I., N. H. State, St. Lawrence, Springfield Y. M. C. A., Amherst, Union, Vermont, Norwich and St. Michaels. The second team will meet teams of such calibre as: Rutland High School, T. C. A., Laselle, Troy, St. Albans, Goddard Seminary and Montpelier Seminary. Five class games still remain to be played.

JUNIOR CLASS MEETING

The first meeting of the Junior class this term was held in the Hemicycle, Monday. The main topic of discussion was in regard to the publication of a Kaleidoscope this year. A committee had previously been appointed to confer with the senior class in respect to a joint effort between the classes. E. Ross reported for the committee and said a tax of eight dollars on the two upper classes and one of three dollars on the two lower ones would cover the cost of publication. Such a publication would be supervised by the faculty and managed by the two upper classes. The junior class would furnish the editor-in-chief and the senior class the business manager. If enough pledges can be obtained to warrant the cost, the matter will be organized for definite action soon.

Plans for Junior Week were also discussed and Kasper was elected chairman of the Junior Week committee.

OUTING CLUB MEETING

With one exception, the office of treasurer, all of last year's Outing Club Officers were re-elected. Fred Carpentier was chosen to fill the vacancy caused by the graduation of last year's official The Outing Club "cabinet" is now composed of the following men: president, Jones; vice-president, Heath; secretary, Miesse: treasurer, Carpentier; chairman of hike committee, Canfield.

A general discussion of winter sports followed the election of officers. Outdoor meets between the various classes in skiing and snow-shoeing, as a means of selecting the men who will represent Middlebury at the Dartmouth Winter Carnival this year, was proposed. President Jones requested that all men interested in any form of winter sport should confer in the near future with Coach Brown.

TWO AMENDMENTS READ AT ATHLETIC ASSN. MEETING

The election of Canfield '20 as secretary of the Athletic Association to fill the vacancy caused by the absence of Fred Hinchey, and the formal announcement of two new Council rulings was the principle business of the Association meeting held Tuesday evening, January 7, in Hepburn social hall.

The first amendment to the athletic regulations states that any man three points behind his class or who has failed to advance his scholastic standing over the previous year will be prohibited from participating in any other than local athletic contests. It is understood that military service or ill-health will provide an exception in this ruling.

By the second amendment the athletic year will be divided into three seasons namely; fall, winter and spring. No man can compete on varsity teams in more than two of these seasons but no restrictions have been made as to the number of teams on which he can compete in any one season.

The matter of obtaining money for the Athletic treasury to defray the unusually heavy expenses of the past football season was also discussed. Several plans were suggested, among them the selling of season tickets for basketball, which the men voted upon favorably and the giving of a play under the direction of the Union.

ALCHEMISTS

At a meeting of the Alchemists held in the Chemistry building at four o'clock January 9, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: president, Douglas; vice-president, Canfield; secretary-treasurer, Carpentier. Plans for the coming year were discussed and it is expected that the work of the club will be especially interesting.

SAGE PLEDGES

During the past week the Sages pledged from the sophomore class the following men: Lorimer H. Brown, Gordon A. Swan, Robert P. Valentine, George F. Whitmore, Jr, George L. Richardson, Arnold B. Swift, Donald E. Homans, Maurice F. Lee, E. Chester Franklyn, Frank W. Gorthey and George Miske.

BOXING AND WRESTLING CLUB

In response to a call from Coach Brown, about 40 men met at the gym on Tuesday of last week to discuss and formulate plans concerning definite action as regards boxing and wrestling at Midd.

Coach Brown briefly told of the benefits to be derived from active work in the two sports and suggested that some sort of an organization be formed in order that the work might be carried on in an orderly and systematic fashion. This suggestion was heartily approved by those present and as a result the men decided to form a "Boxing and Wrestling Club" Keppler and Miske in conjunction with Coach Brown were elected to take charge of the club's activities. ,

It is hoped that with the hearty cooperation of the club members it may be possible later in the season for the student body to see in action some of the college boxing and wrestling talent in bouts or matches put on at entertainments or between the halves of basketball games.

SCHEDULE OF CLASS GAMES

Jan. 19	Senior-Sophomore Junior-Freshman
Jan. 23	Senior-Junior Sophomore-Freshman
Jan. 30	Senior-Freshman Junior-Sophomore
Feb. 6	Senior-Sophomore Junior-Freshman
Feb. 13	Senior-Junior Sophomore-Freshman

MIDDLEBURY APPEARS IN LITERARY WORLD

The year of 1918-19 is proving itself in more ways than one the "Annus Mirabilis" of Middlebury. One of the surprises of the year has been the almost simultaneous appearance of two literary successes, whose authors are connected with our own college.

A thrilling sea story, with all the storms, dangers and adventures which belong to one is, to say the least, unexpected from the pen of a professor of psychology in a New England college. But just such a book Professor McFarland has given us in his "Skipper John of the Nimbus."

The story, which centers around a boy who runs away to sea, is full of the romance and the peril of the deep-sea fishermen of the Gloucester Banks; a life which Professor McFarland understands intimately from earlier associations and experiences. The New York Globe calls the book "a regular yarn of the rattling sort, of the kind Stevenson himself would have revelled in." Another reviewer ranks it with Kipling's "Captains Courageous," saying, "there is not a false note in it, nor an uncertain bit of drawing."

Closely following the publication of Prof. Raymond McFarland's novel "Skipper John of the Nimbus," which has proved so great a literary success, comes another surprise and honor for Middlebury in the form of a very unique book by Mrs. Alice King MacGilton, wife of Prof. William MacGilton.

For years Mrs. Mac Gilton has made an extensive study of Latin hymns, canticles, and psalms and her work is the result of deep and critical research, and keen attention in compiling. The book is called "A Study of Latin Hymns" and is being published by Richard Badger of Boston.

The authoress develops the study in a purely historical way, treating the hymns in chronological order. As there are practically no other treatises along the same line, Mrs. Mac Gilton's book shows pronounced originality and is worthy of all the praise that friends are giving her. When given to the public it is sure to find a deserved place, where it cannot help to attain success in revealing the high value of early Christian hymns as human documents.

Mrs. Mac Gilton received her M. A. degree from Middlebury in 1916. From 1881 to 1887 she was preceptress of Fort Edward Institute and in the year 1885-86 she was also Director of Music in the same school. Since 1893 she has been a popular teacher of piano and harmony in the vicinity of Middlebury. She has had several former literary successes in magazine articles,—among which were "Latin Hymns" and "Ethan Allen" which appeared in the American Monthly.

Mrs. Mac Gilton dedicates her work to Prof. Myron R. Sanford and acknowledges the assistance of Prof. R. H. White in reviewing the Latin text of her manuscript.

But Middlebury's literary honors are not wholly confined to successes in fiction and classical research. It was an interested group of students who gathered around one of the library tables one morning last week to peruse two articles which appeared in the "New Republic." One was a short crisp arraignment of Lloyd George's peace policy. The other bore the rather startling title of "Justice to the Devil," and its substance was a plea for fair-mindedness and perspective in viewing the international situation. Both in vigor of thought and of expression they were articles to make even the casual reader "sit up and take notice," and for some of us the signature at the end of each one was hardly necessary to show that it was the work of Henry W. Lawrence, Jr.

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BASKETBALL OPENS WITH FAST GAMES

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the fore and the sophs once more were in the van only to be tied again when Ross scored on a pretty pass from the outside. Davis made a goal from the floor and then made good a free try. Parker scored on a free try and Davis concluded the scoring in the first half with a foul goal. The period ended with the sophs in the lead by a score of 13-10. The '21 quintet started off the second half like whirlwinds and ere many minutes had passed the score board read sophs 19, juniors 10. Parker then scored from the foul line and Ginsburg followed with a field goal. Davis brought his team's total to 20 with a foul shot but Parker revived junior hopes by tallying from the floor. Ginsburg brought the two scores closer by dropping in a field goal Davis again made good a free try but as the game was drawing to a close "Emmie" Ross made a nice basket from the floor and then with less than ten seconds to play Ginsburg brought the crowd to its feet with a pretty overhand shot from the middle of the floor thus tying the score and necessitating the playing of an extra five minute period.

Ginsburg tallied the first in the overtime session and then the juniors proceeded to clinch the game by scoring thrice from the floor, the sophs only score during the extra period resulting from a foul goal by Davis.

The playing showed that there are some mighty interesting and close games in store for the basketball fans in the inter-class league this season.

Summary :

Juniors—29		Sophomores—22
Ginsburg	R. F.	Whitmore
E. Ross	L. F.	Valentine
Parker, S. Ross	C	Davis
S. Ross, Parker	R. G.	Brown
Rothermel	L. G.	Franklin

Field Goals: Ginsburg 5; E. Ross 4; Parker 4; Valentine 3; Whitmore 5.

Foul Goals: Davis 6; Parker 2; Ginsburg, 1.

GLEE CLUB

Among the college features which should be revived if possible this year is the Glee Club. It seems that sufficient talent is available and although it is rather late in the season doubtless engagements could be secured. Middlebury has sent out clubs in years past that have made very creditable appearances. A good Glee Club is an important asset to any college as it acquaints many strangers with the college and impresses them in a very effective way. If it can be arranged Midd ought to be the possessor of such a club this year.

Among the men of the 1917 Glee Club who are back at college are: Watson, Furber, Canty, Wright, Huggard, Kasper, and Pitkin. Brackett is the only member of the banjo-mandolin orchestra but there should be some new material in the classes of 1921 and '22.

DR. STEARNS MAKES ADDRESS AT VESPER SERVICE

At the vesper service of January 12, Principal Alfred Stearns of Andover Academy, delivered a forceful sermon using as basis the text "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve." He made clear the thought that the forces of good and evil are always in direct opposition and every thinking person must choose between them if he or she is to live a life of usefulness. Those who refuse to choose are like derelict vessels driven by every wind, a menace to all staunch ships and bound for certain destruction. This is Dr. Stearns' second visit to Middlebury and his straightforward, vigorous messages have made him a welcome guest.

"Dave" Reid officiated at the morning service Sunday in the Methodist church at Weybridge.

OUTLOOK FOR TRACK TEAM MIGHTY GOOD

Middlebury expects the biggest and best track season of her career the coming spring. Although only one M man is at present in college it is hoped that others will return now that the war is over. In the informal meet last year with the Signal Corps of U. V. M. some promising material was unearthed. With these as a nucleus, and with the several high school stars in the entering class, the out-look is especially bright for Midd on the track.

Indoor practice will start at once under Coach Brown so that the men will be in shape for spring. This is necessary on account of the lateness of Vermont springs which do not allow much time for out-door practice before the first meet which comes the first week in May. Every-one out and see what you can do in this sport for Middlebury!

ON WAITING FOR THE BOOK STORE TO OPEN

(With apologies to Milton)

When I consider how my cuts are spent
Ere half the term, waiting in vain beside
The college book store till its doors swing wide,
Assignments useless, though my soul is bent
To seek for knowledge and perchance prevent
The envelope where sad, blue flunk-notes hide;
"Do profs. demand our lessons, books denied?"
I cry in wrath; and Reason in assent
Gives answer soon. "Our college has no need
Of any who endure without complaint. Who best
Can crab, he serves his college best. His state
Is kingly; even book-store-clerks will speed
To do his bidding,—serve him without rest."
And so I crab, who used to stand and wait.

A. Crabbe.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT MEETING

At a Student Government meeting held in the Hemicycle last Thursday, the advisability of revising the rules of the Association was discussed. It was decided that the Council, with the approval of the advisory committee consisting of Miss Ross, Miss Wood and Mrs. White, should revise the rules, using as a guide those of similar organizations in other colleges. The resulting set of regulations will be posted, giving the women opportunity to criticize and suggest corrections before the Association accepts them.

A letter inviting the Middlebury Student Government to send delagates to Radcliffe College to attend the Vocational Conference which will be held there January 17 and 18 was read. No delegate will be sent as a large part of the funds have already been voted for war work.

VARSITY BASKETBALL HOLDS FIRST PRACTICE

Coach Brown called the first varsity basketball practise for last Saturday afternoon and about twenty candidates for the team responded.

The men were put through a snappy workout consisting mainly of shooting and passing and ending with a short scrimmage between two picked teams.

The men went through their paces with lots of vim and "pep", a fact which augurs well for Midd's varsity this year.

A new book written by Irving Batcheller with Silas Wright, an alumnus of Middlebury, as the hero will be published in installments in The Register.

Ex-Governor Graham appoined Harland B. Howe of Burlington as a member of the Board of Trustees of Public Funds of Middlebury College. He is to take the place of Robert E. Smith of Hartford.

Lumbermen have stopped work on Breadloaf Mountain as the lumber was not suitable for government uses.

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